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# NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

### **Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.

  Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- The oath or declaration is missing.

  A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• Additional claim fees of \$252 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

## **SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$702 for a Small Entity

- \$385 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$252

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

Patent Attorney Docket: 156886-0053

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:	) Oroup Art Unit: 2663
Jeffrey YING, et al.	)  Examiner: Marcelo, Melvin C.
<b>Serial No.:</b> 10/193,731	) Office Action Mailed:
<b>Filed:</b> July 10, 2002	) March 25, 2004
For: MULTI-TIER, HIERARCHICAL FIBER OPTIC CONTROL NETWORK	) ) )
AMENDM	ENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response to Office Action for the above-identified application.

Applicant(s) petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 [fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(4)] for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION (months)	FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY			R OTHER THAN ALL ENTITY
1 month		\$55.00		\$110.00
2 months		\$210.00		\$420.00
3 months		\$475.00	$\boxtimes$	\$950.00
4 months		\$740.00		\$1,480.00

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this document (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: September 27, 2004	Sent by: Connie Kwon	Signature: Conniellwon

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		An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.									
	$\boxtimes$	Extension fee due with this Request \$950.00.									
		NO ADDITIONAL EXTENSION FEE IS REQUIRED.									
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application:
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Application No. 10/762,204

Filed: January 20, 2004

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Kenton R. Mullins, Reg. No. 36,331

# RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

#### Submitted herewith are

- ~ Return Receipt postcard;
- ~ Three Declarations for Patent Application;
- ~ Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
- ~ Petition to Permit Filing of Patent Application when Inventor Refuses to Sign Under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) (including Appendix A & B); and
- ~ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any needed fees to deposit account 50-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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